

(Unclassified // FOUO) Cal OES Internal Statewide Incident Briefing 2000 hours, August 15, 2020



The Lake Fire at night, near Lake Hughes, Los Angeles County

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72 Hour STAC Report**

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SITUATION SUMMARY

Cal OES Activation Status

State Operations Center	Inland Regional EOC	Coastal Regional EOC	Southern Regional EOC
Level 1	Normal Operations	Normal Operations	Normal Operations

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

The Cal OES State Operations Center (SOC) activated 03/02/20 at 0700 hours in support of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Medical Health Coordination Center's (MHCC) statewide response to COVID-19. Cal OES will continue to provide resource coordination for the COVID-19 event, as well as situation status reporting and advance planning across multiple areas.

Situation Overview

- **California State of Emergency Proclamation**

On 03/04/20, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency for California, as a result of the global COVID-19 outbreak that began in December 2019, to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare for broader spread of COVID-19.

- **Executive Order N-33-20**

On 03/19/20, the California State Public Health Officer and Director of the California Department of Public Health ordered all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence, except as needed to maintain Continuity of Operations of the Federal critical infrastructure sectors.

- **Global Health Advisory**

On 03/19/20, the U.S. Department of State issued a Global Health Advisory at Level 4 (Do Not Travel) due to the global impact of COVID-19.

- **FEMA-4482-DR-CA**

On 03/22/20, President Trump approved Major Declarations FEMA-4482-DR-CA (DR-4482) for the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Confirmed Global COVID-19 Cases – Per Worldometers COVID-19 Live Updates as of 08/15/20 at 1000 hours:

- 21,488,144 (+303,036) total confirmed cases in 213 countries
- 766,028 (+6,499) total deaths

Confirmed United States COVID-19 Case – Per Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as of 08/15/20 at 1100 hours:

- 5,285,546 (+52,729) total confirmed cases
- 167,546 (+1,229) total deaths

Confirmed California COVID-19 Cases - Per Medical Health Coordination Center as of 08/15/20 at 1100 hours:

- 613,689 (+12,614) total confirmed cases

- Please see attached California Health & Human Services (CHHS) Agency / Cal OES Joint Situation Report for additional details.



SITUATION SUMMARY

August 2020 Heat Event

Phase II actions of the California Heat Contingency Plan are taken as a result of the National Weather Service's (NWS) issuance of Excessive Heat Warnings with poor overnight recovery for an Operational Area over a period typically three or more days. Phase II of the Heat Contingency Plan has been activated from Friday, 08/14/20 through Wednesday, 08/19/20, due to forecasts of dangerous and excessive heat for portions of Inland, Coastal, and Southern Regions.

Per NWS:

- High Risk and Very High Risk heat impacts across portions of Inland and Southern Regions expected into next week.
- Heat events such as this are not unusual for this time of year however the extended heat wave with poor overnight recovery can be dangerous.
- Several heat-related warnings are in effect through Wednesday in affected areas.

Additional Details:

- Please see the attached Cal OES Situation Cell incident report for additional information related to this event.

Cal ISO Stage 3 Electrical Emergency 08/15/20

On 08/15/20 at 1829 hours, the California State Warning Center (CSWC) was notified by Cal ISO of a statewide Stage 3 System Emergency due to Cal ISO becoming reserve deficient. The notice was valid from 1828 hours through 1848 hours today.

- All three IOUs were participating in the rolling blackouts through out the State.
- Total customer outages was approximately 294,807.
- Blackout periods were scheduled for 1 hour on a rotating basis.
- As of 1941 hours all power had been restored to customers.

Cal OES INLAND REGION

- See COVID-19 section
- See Fire Activity slides
- See August 2020 Heat Event section

SITUATION SUMMARY

Cal OES COASTAL REGION

Train Derailment, Fremont, Alameda County

On 08/14/20 at 2051 hours Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) notified the California State Warning Center of a derailment of an Amtrak train in Fremont, Alameda County

- Two buffer cars derailed upright off the head of the train
- Cars were empty
- No passengers were injured
- CSWC personnel made all the required notifications per the HazMat SOP

Train Derailment, Rodeo Contra Costa County

On 08/15/20 at 1616 hours Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) notified the California State Warning Center (CSWC) of a train derailment in Rodeo, Contra Costa County.

- Two railcars derailed upright due to unknown causes
- It is unknown what the railcars contained
- No estimate of time for rerailment
- No reports of damage or injuries
- CSWC Personnel made all the required notifications per the HazMat SOP

- See COVID-19 section
- See Fire Activity slides
- See August 2020 Heat Event section

Cal OES SOUTHERN REGION

Train Derailment, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County

On 08/15/20 at 0423 hours Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) notified the California State Warning Center (CSWC) of a train derailment in Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

- A locomotive ran over a derail device in a rail yard
- The locomotive derailed upright
- The locomotive has been rerailed
- No substances were release
- No reported injuries
- CSWC Personnel made all the required notifications per the HazMat SOP

- See COVID-19 section
- See Fire Activity slides
- See August 2020 Heat Event section

FIRE ACTIVITY

Cal OES Fire Preparedness Levels

National	Northern California	Southern California
Preparedness Level 4	Preparedness Level 3	Preparedness Level 3
	Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode: 2	Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode: 2

Note: The National and Regional Preparedness Levels are maintained by the National Multi-Agency Coordination (MAC) Group and are separate from Cal OES activation levels.

Cal OES Fire Missions

2019-FIRE-402

- Personnel assigned to fuel reduction efforts in CAL FIRE Units: Shasta/Trinity, Nevada/Yuba/Placer, San Benito/Monterey and Fresno/Kings.
 - Five 20-person Hand Crews each and all necessary personnel, support, transportation and materials.
 - 65 additional soldiers to be trained and ready to backfill.
 - Assigned to fuel reduction efforts in SHU, NEU, BEU, and FKU (1 Crew in each unit with the exception of 2 crews in FKU)

COVID-19 Missions

- Please see attached California Health & Human Services (CHHS) Agency / Cal OES Joint Situation Report for additional details.

Pre-Position Resources

- None reported

FIRE ACTIVITY

Cal OES INLAND REGION

Stagecoach, Vegetation Fire, Tehachapi, Kern County

Location: Stagecoach Dr. x Piute Meadow Rd. 9 miles south of Lake Isabella

Jurisdiction: Local/Federal DPA, SRA/FRA, Contract County/Central California District/Sequoia National Forest

Start Date/Time: 08/03/20 at 1529 hours

Per Cal OES Duty Officers and ICS-209 as of 08/15/20 at 0759 hours:

- 7,760 acres, grass and brush, 99% contained
- Single Family Residences Destroyed: 23
- Other Minor Structures Destroyed: 7

Deployments

- 3 Cal OES Public Safety Communications Technicians

Loyalton, Vegetation Fire, Sierra County

Location: Mount Ina Coolbrith, 5 miles E of Loyalton

Jurisdiction: Federal DPA, FRA/SRA, Tahoe N.F.

Per Cal OES Duty Officers as of 08/15/20 at 0759 hours:

- 1,200 acres, grass and brush, 5% contained
- Overnight fire spread continued to the east
- Further fire spread to the east could threaten structures in the Loyalton area and community of Bordertown
- California Type 2, Team 10 assigned (in-brief on 08/15/20)

Evacuations

Sierra County:

- Mandatory Evacs for Long Valley area along Hwy 70.
- Approximate number of households affected is (10)
- No request for aid, per the Sheriff

Plumas County:

- Mandatory Evacuations have occurred from the on Hwy 70 from the town of Vinton to Hallelujah Junction.
- No estimate of people evacuated provided
- Evacuation Center set up at the Plumas County Fairgrounds.
- No request for Mutual Aid

Lassen County:

- Mandatory evacuations from Hwy 395 from Red Rock to the Nevada State Line / Hwy 70 to Hwy 395
- No evacuation numbers provided but estimated 30-60 houses in total.
- No Request for mutual aid.



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FIRE ACTIVITY

Cal OES COASTAL REGION (Continued)

Red Salmon Complex, Vegetation Fire, Humboldt County

Location: Trinity Alps Wilderness, 14 miles NE of Willow Creek

Jurisdiction: Federal DPA, FRA, Six Rivers N.F and Shasta Trinity N.F.

Start Date/Time: 07/28/20 at 1500 Hours

Per Cal OES Duty Officers and ICS-209 as of 08/15/20 at 0759 hours:

- 12,101 acres, brush and timber, 35% contained
- Burn out operations continue on the Red Fire
- Crews continue mop-up operation on the Salmon Fire
- Crews continue work on spot fires north of the Red Fire
- Threat remains to cultural and historic sites
- Threat to trail systems in the Trinity-Alps Wilderness

Red Salmon Complex, Vegetation Fire, Humboldt County (Continued)

- California Type 1 Team 4 in command

Cal OES SOUTHERN REGION

Lake, Vegetation Fire, Los Angeles County

Location: Lake Hughes Rd x Prospect Rd, 7 miles southwest of Lake Hughes

Jurisdiction: Federal DPA, FRA, Angeles National Forest

Start Date/Time: 08/12/20 at 1549 hours

Per Cal OES Duty Officers and ICS-209 as of 08/15/20 at 0759 hours:

- 17,862 acres, brush and tinder, 12% contained
- Single Family Residences Destroyed: 6
- Other Minor Structures Destroyed: 15
- Extreme fire behavior with backing, flanking and group torching
- Structures remain threatened
- Poor air quality and excessive heat will present a high risk to personnel
- Threat to Leona Valley, Lake Elizabeth, Pine Cyn., Quail Lake, Three Points, Historic Ridge Route and Inventoried Roadless areas
- Sensitive or threatened species habitat for the Unarmored Three Spine Stickleback and Arroyo Toad are threatened.
- Threat to mining interests, recreational resources including the Pacific Crest Trail, Campgrounds, and Warm Springs Camp.
- Rural properties with livestock and large animals are in the affected area.
- Regional water supply systems is threatened
- Road closures in the area



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FIRE ACTIVITY

Cal OES SOUTHERN REGION (Continued)

Lake, Vegetation Fire, Los Angeles (Continued)

- Rugged terrain with drought stricken fuels, heavy fuel loading, high temperatures and low RH's are contributing to the difficulty of suppressing the fire
- Numerous timber stands across the burned area will produce snags and compromise trees that are a hazard to firefighters
- CA IMT1 Team 5 in command
- Unified Command USFS and Los Angeles County Fire

Deployments

- 1 Cal OES Fire and Rescue Branch Assistant Chief
- 1 Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch Assistant Chief

FMAG

- On 08/12/20 at 2016 hours, an FMAG request was received from the Los Angeles County Fire Department. The FMAG was placed on hold at 2110 hours.
- On 08/12/20 at 2138 hours, an updated FMAG request was received from the Los Angeles County Fire Department. The FMAG was placed on hold at 2201 hours.

Evacuations

- Mandatory evacuations are in place for 400 people as follows:
 - Lake Hughes Rd. West of Pine Cyn. and North of Dry Gulch Rd.
 - East of Ridge Route Rd.
 - West of Lake Hughes Rd. and Fire Station 78
 - North of Pine Cyn. and Lake Hughes Rd.
 - South of SR-138

Road Closures

- San Francisquito Cyn. Rd. from Stater Ln. to Spunky Cyn.
- 3 Points Rd. from Hwy 138 to Pine Cyn.
- Old Ridge Route from Hwy 138 to Pine Cyn.
- Lake Hughes Rd. from Ridge Route Rd. to Pine Cyn.

Shelters

- Red Cross is using hotel vouchers to assist evacuees for the Lake Fire in Los Angeles County
 - 3 families have been placed into hotel rooms

FIRE ACTIVITY

Cal OES SOUTHERN REGION (Continued)

Lake, Vegetation Fire, Los Angeles (Continued)

Evacuation Centers

- Highland High School (39055 25th St W, Palmdale, CA 93551).
- Castaic Complex Sports Center (31230 Castaic Rd., Castaic, CA 91384).
- COVID screenings being performed by ARC staff at both locations

Animal Shelter

- Large Animals Evacuations
 - Antelope Valley Fairgrounds (2551 W Avenue H, Lancaster, CA 93536)
 - Castaic Lake DACC Facility (31044 Charlie Cyn. Rd, Castaic, CA 91384)
- Small Animal Evacuations
 - Palmdale DACC Facility (38550 Sierra Hwy, Palmdale, CA 93550)
 - Lancaster DACC Facility (5210 W Ave I, Lancaster, CA 93536)

Critical Infrastructure

- Per CUEA:
 - Power lines are not threatened at this time
 - Regional water supply is stable and working properly
 - Threat to non-commercial communications infrastructures for local, regional, and FAA communications systems

Ranch 2, Vegetation Fire, Los Angeles County

Location: North San Gabriel Cyn. Rd x Ranch Rd, San Gabriel Cyn.

Jurisdiction: Federal/Local DPA, FRA/LRA, Angeles National Forest/Los Angeles County

Start Date/Time: 08/13/20 at 1449 hours

Per Cal OES Duty Officers and ICS-209 as of 08/15/20 at 0759 hours:

- 1,400 acres, grass and brush, 5% contained
- Acreage change due to more accurate mapping
- Extreme fire behavior with flanking, backing, and uphill runs
- Structures threatened
- High Temps and low relative humidity will result in extreme fire behavior
- Fire is spreading into steep and inaccessible terrain
- Unified command with USFS and Los Angeles County
- CA IMT2 Team 11 will take command on 08/15/20 at 0600

Deployments

- 1 Cal OES Fire and Rescue Branch Assistant Chief

FIRE ACTIVITY

Cal OES SOUTHERN REGION (Continued)

Ranch 2, Vegetation Fire, Los Angeles County (Continued)

Road Closure

- SR 39 between San Gabriel River Bridge and East Fork Rd.

MAJOR ROAD / HIGHWAY / BRIDGE CLOSURES

Major Road Closures		
Northern California	Central California	Southern California
No Lifeline Route Closures	No Lifeline Route Closures	No Lifeline Route Closures

Lifeline Routes:

- There are no Lifeline Route closures.

Non-Lifeline Routes:

- Click [here](#) for a list of current road closures.

Wildfire Closures:

- See Fire Activity slides.

Emergency Center Activations:

- Please see attached California Health & Human Services (CHHS) Agency / Cal OES Joint Situation Report for additional details.

Interactive Travel Forecast Map Based on Weather Conditions Provided by National Weather Service (Prototype)

- <http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/wrh/travel/?wfo=mtr>



Click on the Caltrans Logo to check
current Hwy. conditions.
You can also call 1-800-427-7623 for
current Hwy. conditions.



CALIFORNIA 911 SYSTEM

California 911 Outages

Northern California	Central California	Southern California
No 911 Outages	No 911 Outages	No 911 Outages

Outage/Remote/Community Isolations

- None reported.

Service Interruptions

- None reported.

WEATHER OF CONCERN

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

- Red Flag Warnings are in affect through 2000 hours tomorrow for multiple coastal and inland counties, including the entire San Francisco Bay region, due to the potential for gusty winds, thunderstorms, and low relative humidity.
- Excessive Heat Warnings have been issued for multiple counties through early next week.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

- Excessive Heat Warnings have been issued for multiple counties through early next week.

Weather Advisories, Watches, and Warnings currently active in California:

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/hazardSummary/?state=ca>

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/hazardSummary/?state=ca&bycounty=1>

WEATHER KEY POINTS

08/15/20 - 08/21/20

Saturday-Friday

- A prolonged heat wave is expected across Interior and Southern regions over the next week or two
 - **High to very high heat impacts likely through next week for the interior valleys and inland southern CA. This heat wave may last through the end of August.**
 - **Moderate to High heat impacts are possible even across the Coastal Region Saturday and Sunday**
- Elevated to Critical fire weather concerns continue as mainly dry conditions prevail and locally gusty winds occur in and around the terrain, especially across northern and central CA Saturday and Sunday
- Isolated afternoon/evening thunderstorms possible across the Sierra and southern mountains each day through next week.
 - A few new fire starts possible with dry lightning and gusty, erratic winds near storms



CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

08/15/20 - 08/21/20

<u>Hazards / Day</u>	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds							
Snow							
Coastal Flooding							
River Flooding							
Thunderstorms (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)	Inland	Inland	Inland	Inland	Inland	Inland	Inland
Fire Weather (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms)	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions
Heat Risk	Coastal/ Southern/ Inland	Coastal/ Southern/ Inland	Southern/ Inland	Southern/ Inland	Southern/ Inland	Southern/ Inland	Southern/ Inland
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding / Debris Flow							
Cold							



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



Moderate Impacts

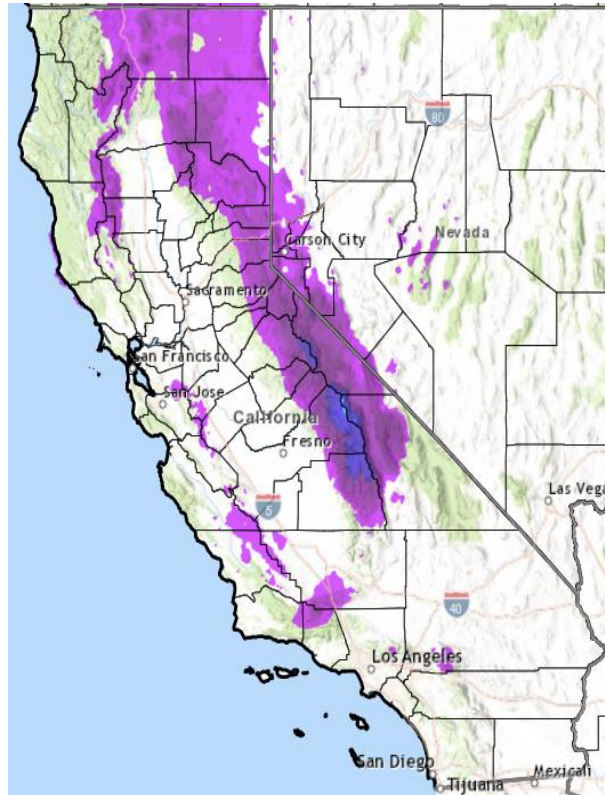


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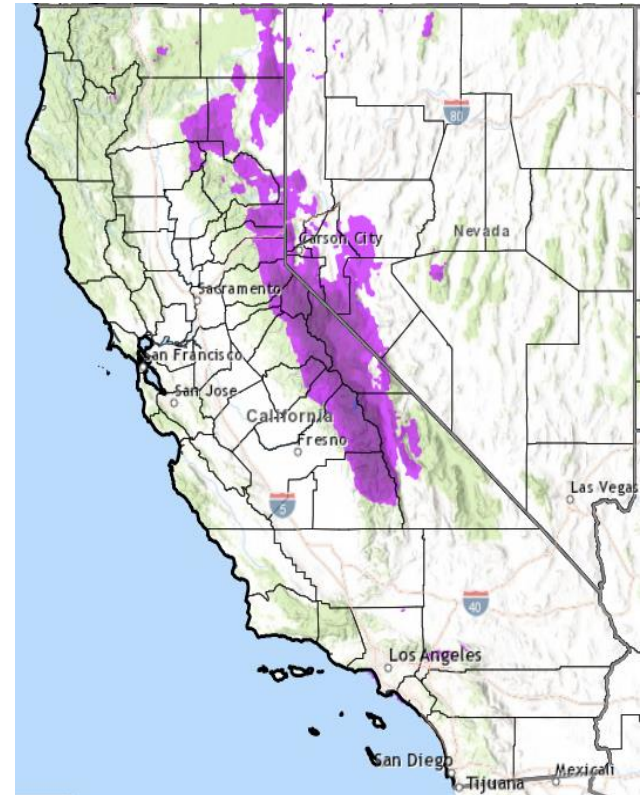
PRECIPITATION FORECAST 08/15/20 - 08/17/20



Friday



Saturday



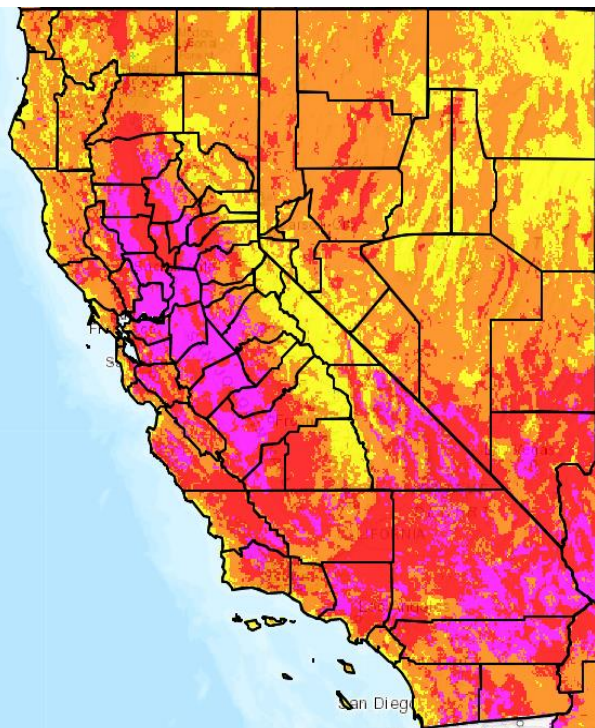
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Precipitation (inches)

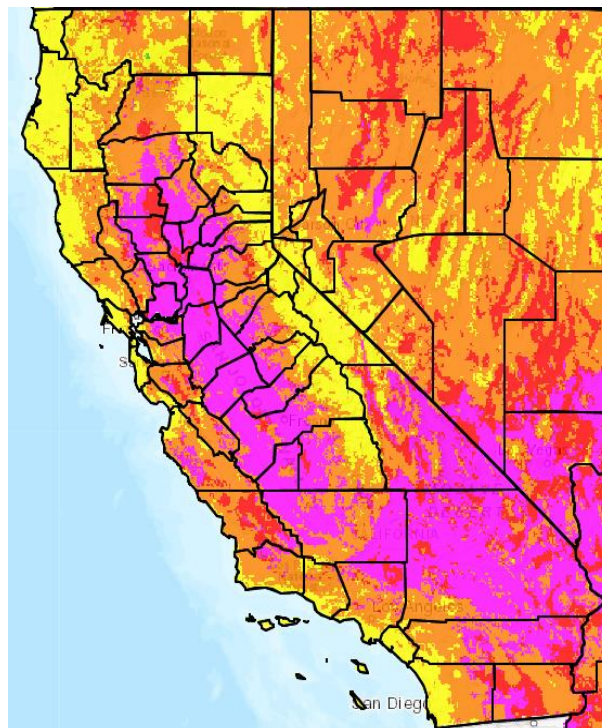


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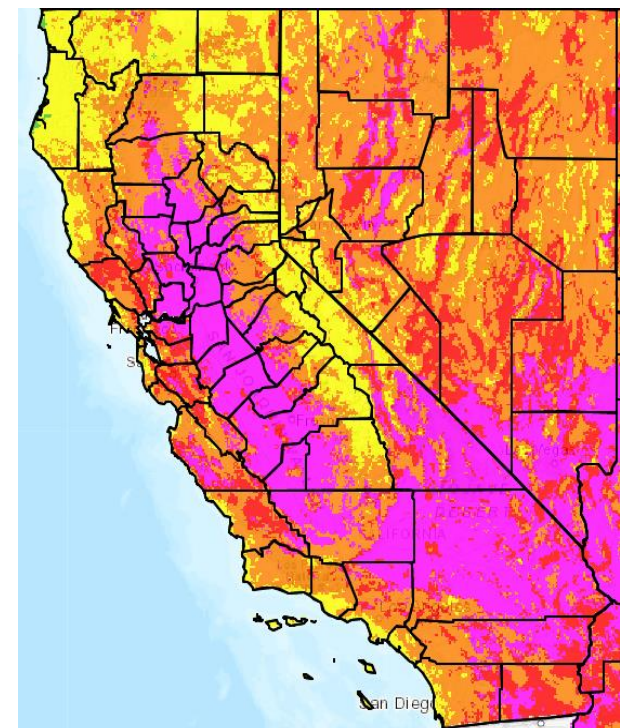
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Saturday



Sunday



Monday

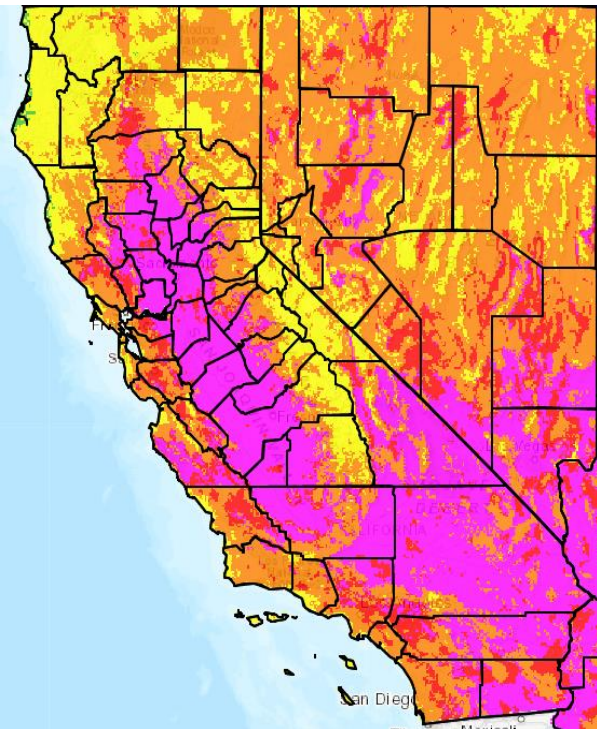
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Orange	2	Moderate Risk for those who are sensitive to heat, especially those without effective cooling and/or adequate hydration

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Magenta	4	Very High Risk for entire population due to long duration heat, with little to no relief overnight

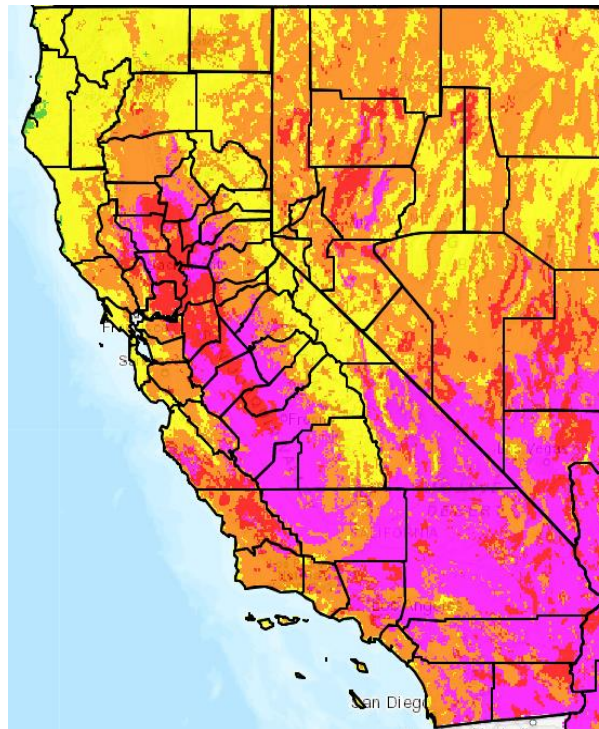


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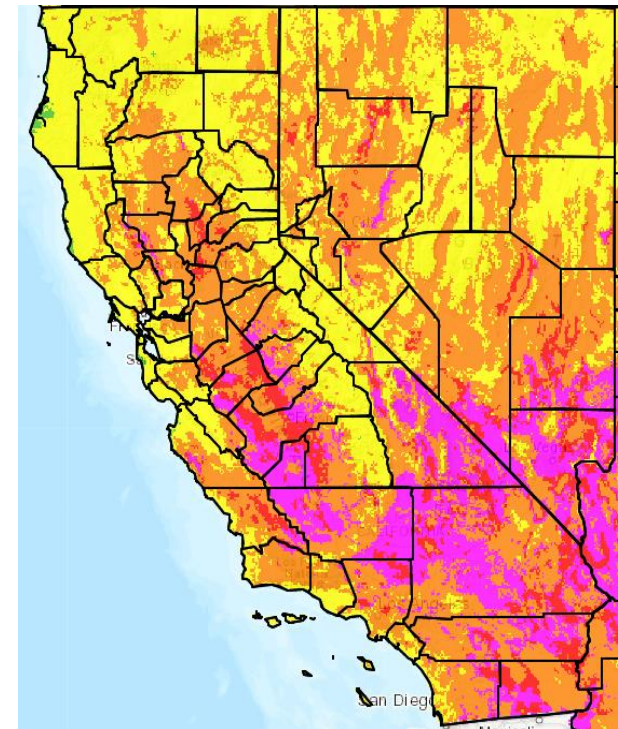
08/18/20 - 08/20/20



Tuesday



Wednesday



Thursday

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WEATHER OUTLOOK

08/20/20 - 08/28/20

6-10 Day Outlook (August 20 – August 24)

Temperatures

- Above normal temperatures strongly favored statewide

Precipitation

- Near normal precipitation expected across the northern half of the state; above normal precipitation favored across the southern half of the state

8-14 Day Outlook (August 22 – August 28)

Temperatures

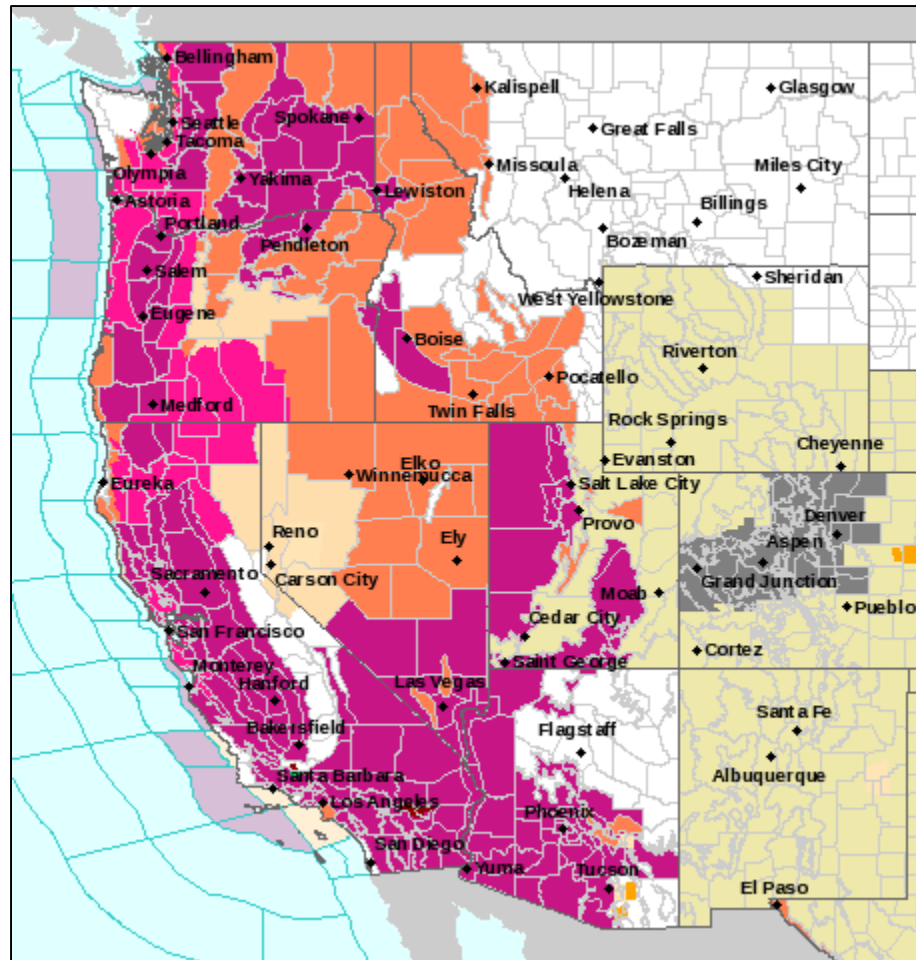
- Above normal temperatures likely to continue statewide, with above normal temperatures strongly favored across interior southern CA

Precipitation

- Near normal precipitation expected statewide, except for far southeastern CA where below normal precipitation is slightly favored



WEATHER MAP



- [Severe Thunderstorm Warning](#)
- [Flash Flood Warning](#)
- [Severe Weather Statement](#)
- [Excessive Heat Warning](#)
- [Red Flag Warning](#)
- [Heat Advisory](#)
- [Flood Advisory](#)
- [Small Craft Advisory](#)
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Cal OES LAW ENFORCEMENT MISSIONS

Cal OES Law Missions

- None reported.

Cal OES MISSION TASKING

Cal OES Missions

- Please see attached California Health & Human Services (CHHS) Agency / Cal OES Joint Situation Report for additional details.



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